

a1 the holder is possible when the key is correctly in the holder. Furthermore, the lock has a switching element on which the adjusting movement of the blocking element exerts a switching action via a separate transmitter which can be brought into operative connection both with the blocking element and with the switching element.--

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1-9 as follows:

1. (Amended) An electronic lock for a locking system, in particular electronic ignition lock for a motor vehicle, comprising:

a6 a holder into which an associated electronic key can be introduced, and having a switching element which can be actuated by introduction of the key into the holder and that